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Dear Keith:

To follow up our discussion yesterday regarding the allowances and benefits section in the CIA title of the draft charter legislation, the following provides additional background in explanation of the proposed language we sent you earlier on paragraph (d) of that section:

The Agency has submitted a proposed section 417(d) for your consideration as part of subject legislation. In essence, the first part of this paragraph provides for an authority similar to that contained in paragraph 013 of the Standardized Regulations (Government Civilians, Foreign Areas). Paragraph 013 states:

> When authorized by law, the head of an agency may defray official residence expenses for, and grant post differential, quarters, cost-of-living, and representational allowances to employees of his/her agency and require an accounting therefor, subject to the provisions of these regulations and the availability of funds. Within the scope of these regulations, the head of an agency may issue such further implementing regulations as he or she may deem necessary for the guidance of his/her agency with regard to the granting of and accounting for these payments. Furthermore, when the Secretary of State determines that unusual circumstances exist, the head of an agency may grant special quarters, cost-of-living, and representational allowances in addition to or in lieu of those authorized in these regulations. (Emphasis added.)

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